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Hale, who, going up and down the country, working with voice and pen, speaking often three times a day, made younger men blush by his energy and devotion."

Anti-War Sentiment in Japan.

The following editorial translated from the Japanese paper, *The Ibaraki*, by Mr. Gurney Binford, a missionary at Mito, Japan, gives evidence that some cultivated Japanese are thinking out the future of their country on higher lines than is the case with those who are anxious for war in order to give Japan a high and honorable standing among the nations. The article is entitled "Curse against a Satanic Principle," and the writer signs himself "White Dressed Youth."

"When fatigue is overcome through fullness of reserve strength, and indolence beaten off by acute activity, the nation may always be in fine appearance and some good effects may be realized from war. But we should remember that the spirit of war is wholly barbarous and uncivilized, and entirely out of accord with humanitarianism.

"There are those who are inciting to war and saying, 'Defeat Russia! Defeat Russia!' Taken as a whole, the words of such are the words of one who is crowned with a wine cup. Though we think such words, penned by irresponsible men who are jolly with drink, are entirely unreasonable and have no value in their origin to make them worthy of a serious thought, we cannot pass them carelessly by with a smoky, cloudy glance, because they seem to be calculated to delude the common reader. There is no need to say that the hope of the world is peace; but how about war? It destroys peace; and is it not the object of war to do so?

"If the men of the world stood apart from each other and jealously eyed each other with envy, liable at any time with swollen eye, protruding lips and shaking fist to make blood flow, how fearful an aspect would human life present! We can imagine no darker blot upon civilization than for the world to be in such a condition.

"Patience! patience! What is the use of religion? What is the use of ethics and morals? Religion has never taught war! Ethics has never advocated Satanism! Has not morality been able to instil into the mind the thought of universal love and benevolence and mercy? Weapons of war are truly deadly instruments, and absolute disarmament is the only final decision for our long discussion on the subject.

"Does any one say that Russia is fooling us by setting aside her promise? Then if they are fooling us in such a way, let us be fooled forever. Setting aside a promise, faith is already broken; if a man is fooled, already virtue is abandoned, already vice is begun, already deception is at hand. If Russia under this supposition is not truly crazy, then she is not only as a foolish fellow, but also outside of human kind, and has become only a beast. If our Japan has much mental energy, is it not better to put aside whatever disagreeableness there may be, and direct and enlighten them (who have gone far from the human way)? 'If we do not touch the gods, the gods will not smite us with a curse.' If the adversary is left undisturbed we may overcome him by patient endurance. But when we vainly growl and move about in war, the people are more and more tired out, the hearts of the

people are confused and at last fall into the condition of not knowing what to do. However, to break their tyrannical rashness and open their dark understandings, are there not many other means (than that of war)?

"But let us in a cool, calm manner take a glance at the real condition of Russia. Is she not the country with which her own Tolstoy is disgusted? Is she not the country whose government policy is opposed by the students of her own universities? And does she not have wolves in her roads and devils dancing in her out-of-the-way-places? To meet such a people and to engage in war with such — if we may say — brutish people, is surely not a good plan. Wherever we go, as Japanese, we should maintain a high standard of virtuous hearted manhood.

"Ah! Mr. Stir-up-to-war, leave off your fever, cool your head, and look up to the sky, think profoundly, and with enlarged heart there is a place of great understanding. If any one has different opinions, let me hear them."

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